

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-49 (Canceled).

Claim 50 (Currently Amended): An image forming apparatus comprising:

a receiving unit configured to receive, via a network, image data and recording medium size therefor;

a plurality of supply parts respectively configured to accommodate a plurality of recording media having different sizes;

a first storage unit configured to store a substitute recording medium size to be used when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving unit;

a setting unit configured to receive a setting that indicates whether a magnification or reduction is to be performed on the image data received by the receiving unit when the substitute recording medium size is to be used;

a forming unit configured to form the image data received by the receiving unit on a substitute recording medium ~~[[,]]~~ having the substitute recording medium size and accommodated in one of the plurality of supply parts and having a size different from the recording medium size received by the receiving unit, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size; and

a ~~reducing~~ zoom unit configured to ~~reduce~~ perform the magnification or the reduction on the image data when the size of the substitute recording medium is smaller than the recording medium size depending on the setting received by the setting unit when the substitute recording medium size is to be used,

~~wherein the forming unit forms the image data on the substitute recording medium having a first size that is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing unit, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size but include the first size, and~~

wherein the forming unit forms ~~the image data~~ on the substitute recording medium having a second size that is larger than the first size and is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing unit, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size nor the first size but include the second size the image data subjected to the magnification or the reduction by the zoom unit depending on the setting received by the setting unit.

Claim 51 (Canceled)

Claim 52 (Currently Amended): The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 50, wherein

one of the plurality of recording media having a size B4 is used as the substitute recording medium when the recording medium size received by the receiving unit is a size A4, a recording medium having the size A4 is unavailable, and one of the plurality of recording media having a size larger than the size A4 is to be used as the substitute recording medium,

one of the plurality of recording media having a size A3 is used as the substitute recording medium when a recording medium having the size B4 is unavailable, and

the forming unit forms the image data received by the receiving unit, without ~~reduction by the reducing~~ the magnification or the reduction performed by the zoom unit depending on the setting received by the setting unit, on the substitute recording medium having the B4 size or the A3 size.

Claim 53 (Currently Amended): The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 50, further comprising:

a second storage unit configured to store a priority order of substitute recording medium sizes to be used when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving unit.

Claim 54 (Currently Amended): The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 50, ~~further comprising:~~ wherein

~~a selecting unit configured to select one of forming~~ the forming unit forms the image data reduced by the reducing on the substitute recording medium without the magnification or the reduction performed by the zoom unit on the substitute recording medium based on the size of the substitute recording medium and forming the image data, received by the receiving unit on the substitute recording medium without reduction by the reduction unit when the setting received by the setting unit indicates that the magnification or the reduction is not to be performed.

Claim 55 (Currently Amended): The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 50, ~~further comprising:~~ further comprising:

~~a selecting unit configured to select one of forming the forming unit forms the image data reduced by the reducing unit on the substitute recording medium based on the size of the substitute recording medium and forming the image data received by the receiving unit in parts on a plurality of substitute recording media without reduction by the reduction unit the magnification or the reduction performed by the zoom unit when the setting received by the setting unit indicates that the magnification or the reduction is not to be performed.~~

Claim 56 (Currently Amended): The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim [[51]] 50, wherein the forming unit forms the image data received by the receiving unit at a predetermined position on the substitute recording medium.

Claim 57 (Canceled)

Claim 58 (Currently Amended): An image forming method to form image data on a recording medium in an image forming apparatus, comprising:

receiving image data and recording medium size therefor via a network by a receiving unit;

receiving, by a setting unit, a setting that indicates whether a magnification or reduction is to be performed on the image data received by the receiving unit when a substitute recording medium size stored in a first storage unit is to be used;

forming, by a forming unit, the image data received by the receiving on a substitute recording medium[[,]] having the substitute recording medium size and accommodated in one of a plurality of supply parts respectively configured to accommodate a plurality of recording

media having different sizes, ~~and having a size different from the recording medium size received by the receiving unit,~~ when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size; and

reducing performing, by a zoom unit, the magnification or the reduction on the image data when the size of the substitute recording medium is smaller than the recording medium size depending on the setting received by the setting unit when the substitute recording medium size is to be used,

~~wherein the forming forms the image data on the substitute recording medium having a first size that is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size but include the first size, and~~

wherein the forming forms ~~the image data~~ on the substitute recording medium ~~having a second size that is larger than the first size and is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size nor the first size but include the second size~~ the image data subjected to the magnification or the reduction of the zoom unit by the performing depending on the setting received by the setting unit.

Claim 59 (Canceled).

Claim 60 (Currently Amended): The image forming method as claimed in claim 58, wherein

one of the plurality of recording media having a size B4 is used as the substitute recording medium when the recording medium size received by the receiving is a size A4, a recording medium having the size A4 is unavailable, and one of the plurality of recording media having a size larger than the size A4 is to be used as the substitute recording medium,

one of the plurality of recording media having a size A3 is used as the substitute recording medium when a recording medium having the size B4 is unavailable, and

the forming forms the image data received by the receiving, without ~~reduction by the reducing the magnification or the reduction of the zoom unit performed by the performing~~, on the substitute recording medium having the B4 size or the A3 size.

Claim 61 (Currently Amended): The image forming method as claimed in claim 58, further comprising:

storing a priority order of substitute recording medium sizes to be used in a second storage unit when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving.

Claim 62 (Currently Amended): The image forming method as claimed in claim 58, further comprising: wherein

~~selecting, by a selecting unit, one of forming~~ the forming forms the image data ~~reduced by the reducing~~ on the substitute recording medium ~~based on the size of the substitute recording medium and forming the image data received by the receiving on the substitute recording medium without reduction by the reducing by the forming unit without the magnification or the reduction of the zoom unit performed by the performing when the setting received by the setting unit indicates that the zoom is not to be performed.~~

Claim 63 (Currently Amended): The image forming method as claimed in claim 58,  
~~further comprising:~~ wherein

~~selecting, by a selecting unit, one of forming the forming forms the image data~~  
~~reduced by the reducing on the substitute recording medium based on the size of the~~  
~~substitute recording medium and forming the image data received by the receiving in parts on~~  
a plurality of substitute recording media ~~without reduction by the reducing by the forming~~  
unit without the magnification or the reduction of the zoom unit performed by the performing  
when the setting received by the setting unit indicates that the zoom is not to be performed.

Claim 64 (Currently Amended): The image forming method as claimed in claim  
[[59]] 58, wherein the forming forms the image data received by the receiving at a  
predetermined position on the substitute recording medium.

Claims 65-66 (Canceled).

Claim 67 (Currently Amended): A non-transitory computer-readable recording  
medium that stores a program which, when executed by a computer, causes the computer to  
perform an image forming process to form image data on a recording medium in an image  
forming apparatus having a plurality of supply parts respectively configured to accommodate  
a plurality of recording media having different sizes, said image forming process comprising:

receiving a procedure causing the computer to receive image data and recording  
medium size therefor via a network by a receiving unit;

receiving, by a setting unit, a setting that indicates whether a magnification or  
reduction is to be performed on the image data received by the receiving unit when a  
substitute recording medium size stored in a first storage unit is to be used;

~~a procedure causing the computer to reduce the image data when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size, and the size of the substitute recording medium on which the image data is to be formed in the image forming apparatus is smaller than the recording medium size;~~

forming, by ~~the image forming apparatus~~ a forming unit, the image data received by the receiving unit on ~~[[the]]~~ a substitute recording medium having a first size that is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing, the substitute recording medium size and accommodated in one of the plurality of supply parts, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size ~~but include the first size;~~ and

performing the magnification or the reduction on the image data, by a zoom unit, depending on the setting received by the setting unit when the substitute recording medium size is to be used,

~~forming, by the image forming apparatus, the image data on the substitute recording medium having a second size that is larger than the first size and is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size nor the first size but include the second size~~

wherein the forming forms on the substitute recording medium the image data subjected to the magnification or the reduction by the zoom unit depending on the setting received by the setting unit when the substitute recording medium size is to be used.



Claim 68 (Currently Amended): An image forming system connectable to a network, comprising:

a receiving unit configured to receive, via the network, image data and recording medium size therefor;

a plurality of supply parts respectively configured to accommodate a plurality of recording media having different sizes;

a first storage unit configured to store a substitute recording medium size to be used when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving unit;

a setting unit configured to receive a setting that indicates whether a magnification or reduction is to be performed on the image data received by the receiving unit when the substitute recording medium size is to be used;

a forming unit, coupled to the receiving unit, configured to form the image data received by the receiving unit on a substitute recording medium ~~[[,]]~~ having the substitute recording medium size and accommodated in one of the plurality of supply parts ~~and having a size different from the recording medium size received by the receiving unit,~~ when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size; and

a ~~reducing~~ zoom unit, coupled to the receiving unit, configured to ~~reduce~~ perform the magnification or the reduction on the image data ~~when the size of the substitute recording medium is smaller than the recording medium size~~ depending on the setting received by the setting unit when the substitute recording medium size is to be used,

~~wherein the forming unit forms the image data on the substitute recording medium having a first size that is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing unit, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media~~

~~accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size but include the first size, and~~

wherein the forming unit forms ~~the image data~~ on the substitute recording medium having a second size that is larger than the first size and is predetermined with respect to the recording medium size, without reduction by the reducing unit, when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size nor the first size but include the second size the image data subjected to the zoom performed by the zoom unit depending on the setting received by the setting unit.

Claim 69 (New). The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 50, wherein the first storage unit stores a plurality of substitute recording medium sizes to be used when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving unit.

Claim 70 (New). The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 50, wherein the zoom unit is configured to perform the magnification on the image data.

Claim 71 (New). The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 50, wherein the zoom unit is configured to perform the reduction on the image data.

Claim 72 (New). The image forming method as claimed in claim 58, further comprising:

storing, in the first storage unit, a plurality of substitute recording medium sizes to be used when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving.

Claim 73 (New). The image forming method as claimed in claim 58, wherein the performing includes performing the magnification of the image data.

Claim 74 (New). The image forming method as claimed in claim 58, wherein the performing includes performing the reduction of the image data.

Claim 75 (New). The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium as claimed in claim 67, wherein

the forming forms the image data in parts on a plurality of substitute recording media by the forming unit without the magnification or the reduction performed by the zoom unit when the setting received by the setting unit indicates that the magnification or the reduction is not to be performed.

Claim 76 (New). The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium as claimed in claim 67, wherein the image forming process further comprises:

storing, in the first storage unit, a plurality of substitute recording medium sizes to be used when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving unit.

Claim 77 (New). The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium as claimed in claim 67, wherein the performing includes performing the magnification of the image data.

Claim 78 (New). The non-transitory computer-readable storage medium as claimed in claim 67, wherein performing includes performing the reduction of the image data.

Claim 79 (New). The image forming system as claimed in claim 68, wherein the forming unit forms the image data in parts on a plurality of substitute recording media without the zoom performed by the zoom unit when the setting received by the setting unit indicates that the zoom is not to be performed.

Claim 80 (New). The image forming system as claimed in claim 68, wherein the first storage unit stores a plurality of substitute recording medium sizes to be used when the different sizes of the plurality of recording media accommodated in the plurality of supply parts do not include the recording medium size received by the receiving unit.